

WILD STORIES ARE AFLOAT

Of Attacks on Residence of Foreigners

IN TWO HAYTIAN CITIES

First Guns in Target Practice at San Diego Were Fired Yesterday—Considerably Ahead of Expected Beginning.

Kingston, Jamaica, March 16.—The wildest rumors are circulating here of attacks on the residences of foreign diplomatic representatives at Port Au Prince and Gonaives, Hayti, and of further official massacres of natives who were suspected of participating in anti-government conspiracies.

In the existing state of disorder, it is feared that all foreign residents of these and perhaps other towns must be in the gravest peril. It is believed that the legations and consulates are prepared to resist attacks.

The British cruiser Indefatigable, which recently arrived here from Port Au Prince, is coaling and making other preparations in desperate haste to return.

The French cruiser D'Estrees is expected to reach there about the same time from Santiago de Cuba. The German minister is known to have called for a cruiser and the United States is supposed to be hurrying a fighting vessel to the scene of the trouble.

TWO SHIPS DISPATCHED.

Great Britain Intends to Protect Subjects in Hayti.

London, March 16.—Chancellor of the Exchequer Asquith today informed the House of Commons that the cruiser Indefatigable and the armored cruiser Crescent have been ordered to Hayti, where the foreign consulates are threatened with attack.

STORM DID THINGS.

Electricity in Wakefield, Mass., Stopped Up Gossny Family.

Wakefield, Mass., March 16.—During a severe electrical storm early last evening lightning entered the house of Joseph Gossny on Cedar street, and seriously damaged it, besides breaking many articles of furniture. None of the family was injured.

Mr. Gossny and his wife and daughter were seated at the supper table when the lightning entered, breaking many dishes on the table, which was upset, tearing the gas meter from its fastenings, snatching a hot water heater in the kitchen and hurling portions of it through a partition into the setting room and breaking other furniture. The total damage is estimated at \$1,000.

Aside from the nervous shock caused by the experience, none of the members of the Gossny family suffered any ill effects, though their escape was somewhat remarkable.

The storm was accompanied by vivid flashes of lightning, heavy thunder and hail.

CHINA CONCEDES JAPAN'S DEMANDS

Satisfactory Settlement of The Tatsu Affair and There Will Be No War.

Tokio March 16.—A satisfactory settlement of the Tatsu affair was announced yesterday afternoon. China has conceded all of the Japanese demands. She will purchase the arms and ammunition on board the Tatsu, and will hoist the Japanese flag over the vessel. While the flag is being hoisted, a Chinese warship will fire a salute. There is a general feeling of relief in consequence of the settlement of the incident.

BLOODHOUNDS FOLLOWED TRAIL.

Supposed Incendiary Caught on Board Schooner.

Seabright, N. J., March 16.—The unusual spectacle was witnessed here last night of two bloodhounds, police officers, and many citizens of Rumson, N. J., in automobiles following the trail of a man which led from Rumson to an old schooner moored to one of the Seabright wharves.

IN ANGER, KILLED FATHER.

Boy Then Fleed But Later Gave Himself Up.

Wilmington, Del., March 16.—Angered by a scolding for not having sought employment, Matthew Kraschewsky, aged 17 years, yesterday deliberately shot and killed his father, Louis Kraschewsky, at their home here. The boy escaped, but later gave himself up.

Albany Man Arrested.

Burlington, March 16.—Myron E. McCarger of Albany was arrested today by Deputy Marshal Reeves and placed under the custody laws and refused to advise. Deputy Ladd in the seizure of embezzled funds.

Federal Court Meets at Rutland.

Rutland, March 16.—The United States court met here today for an adjourned session. It is expected that late this afternoon a jury will be drawn in the case to determine the ownership of 10,000 wooden balls which were recently seized at Island Pond.

Benjamin Wells Died Today.

Montpelier, N. Y., March 16.—After an illness of several days United States commissioner Benjamin Wells died at his home here today.

BANDIT ROBBED TRAIN AND ESCAPED

Remarkable Tale of Brigandage Told by Two Mail Clerks, Who Were Found Bound.

Spokane, Wash., March 16.—A bandit boarded the mail car on the westbound limited of the Great Northern railway at Bonner Ferry, Idaho, before daylight yesterday, bound the two mail clerks, robbed the mail car and delivered way station mail for 100 miles. Then he dropped off the train and escaped. The robbery was not discovered until the train reached Spokane five hours after the bandit boarded it.

The train carried the through mail and much of it was registered. The amount stolen will not be known until the registered mail has been checked up.

When the train arrived at Spokane at 9:20 o'clock yesterday, the mail car was closed. Employees at the station opened the car and found one of the mail clerks lying bound on the mail car. The other clerk was locked in a closet. They said that a bandit boarded the car at Bonner Ferry, a division point, 100 miles east of Spokane. He entered the car as the train left Bonner's Ferry, subdued the clerks with revolvers, bound them and went through the registered mail. At regular stops the robber threw off the mail sack for each point and took the outgoing sack, but at smaller places, where the train does not stop, he did not throw off the mail. He jumped off the train two miles east of Spokane.

Mail Clerks Stumpf and Nystun last night told of their experience. Locked in a closet, hardly two feet square, Nystun almost suffocated after the train had pulled into Sand Point, 34 miles west of Bonner's Ferry. Tapping on the door, he pleaded with the bandit to allow him some fresh air. The bandit responded willingly, leaving the door ajar about an inch, secured with a piece of rope. Twice afterwards the robber ceased his work of rifling the sacks to inquire how Nystun was feeling.

When Stumpf demonstrated to the captor that the cords which bound him were cutting into his wrists, the robber loosened the fetters somewhat and made every effort to make it as comfortable as possible for his victim. While rapping on the registered sacks the robber, dressed like a mail inspector, cut one of his fingers, and many pieces of mail were blood-stained.

DROWNED IN EFFORT TO SAVE HIS FRIEND

Thesley Tobin of Malden Lost His Life, But John Green Was Finally Saved.

North Wilmington, Mass., March 16.—Wesley Edgar Tobin, aged 21, of Knollin street, Malden, was drowned yesterday afternoon at Foster's pond while endeavoring to assist his friend, John B. Greene, 43, of Clark street, that city, who had broken through the ice. The victim's father, Edgar S. Tobin, also had a narrow escape from being drowned in attempting to recover his son's body by diving through the ice.

Tobin and his father, together with Greene, George Chisholm and E. E. Neal of Malden, left there yesterday morning to go to Foster's pond to make arrangements for building a cottage. About 1 o'clock young Tobin and Greene started to cross the pond to a small peninsula where the Tobins own property. When about 40 feet from land the ice gave way, letting Greene into the water. Young Tobin, who was a short distance behind, came to assist him, when the ice under him gave way, and he, too, sank out of sight, but came to the surface again.

The cries of the two men attracted the attention of Tobin's father and John Ames, a resident of North Wilmington, and George Chisholm, who rushed to the drowning men's assistance. Ames procured a board and pushed it out to Greene, who, after a struggle, pulled himself upon the ice. A ladder was pushed out to young Tobin, but he sank before he could be reached.

The victim's father believing that he might reach the son tied a rope around himself and dived several times after the body, but the floating cubes proved to be too much for him and he gave it up.

The Andover police were notified and by the aid of boats dragged for the young man's body, recovering it shortly after 2 o'clock.

NOT A PERSON HURT IN THEATRE PANIC

1,200 Men, Women and Children Were Crowded Into Holyoke Opera House When Cry of Fire Arose.

Holyoke, Mass., March 16.—About 1,200 men, women and children were crowded into the Holyoke opera house yesterday noon witnessing a moving picture show, when suddenly a shout of fire rang through the house and flames and smoke were seen issuing from the wall at the rear of the second balcony. A rush was immediately made for the doors, and soon hundreds of people were pushing and shoving to force their way down the stairs to the street. With visions of a theatre fire horror vivid in his mind manager J. H. O'Connell of the theatre jumped for the stage and calmly addressed the audience in an endeavor to prevent a panic and to announce that the fire was not serious.

Manager O'Connell might not have been entirely successful in his efforts if it had not been for firemen who arrived quickly on the scene from the nearby station. They forced their way into the theatre, scattered among the crowd and enforced quiet and order, with the result that in 345 minutes the house was entirely emptied and not a person was seriously injured.

The firemen then gave their attention to the fire, which had started in a smoking room on the second floor, presumably from a cigarette butt, and put it out after \$200 damage had been done.

CONDITIONS ARE IDEAL

For Smashing Navy's Shooting Records

SAYS ADMIRAL EVANS

Battleships of Various Nations Are Being Rushed to Port Au Prince and Other Places to Protect Their Citizens.

Washington, D. C., March 16.—The navy department was informed through a wireless message from Admiral Evans today that the weather conditions were ideal for target practice, which is now on at Magdalena Bay. The message said that Admiral Evans hoped to make better records than ever before. It had been expected that fully four days would be required in which to get the targets in position and lay out the ranges, but the work was concluded in four hours and the first guns were fired at sunrise yesterday.

San Diego, Cal., March 16.—The fleet is anchored at the north end of the bay, which is the most sheltered part of this natural haven of the sea. Looking to the south there is a broad expanse of water nearly twenty miles long, while the width of the bay at the entrance is nearly twelve miles.

The ranges are to be set first at 1,000 yards. Then they will be extended to 2,000 yards, and then to a maximum of 3,000 yards for the smaller target, which is 15x20 feet in size. For the great target gun, the twelve and thirteen-inch rifles, the ranges are lengthened from 6,000 to 9,000 yards, and the targets are increased to 30x60 feet.

As one ordinance officer on the battleships expressed it, it is absolutely essential that the gunners be able to see the target before they can train the sights upon it. At 9,000 yards the white canvas target is about as small as a tiny speck upon the water.

The gunners of the Atlantic fleet are conscious that they have a hard task before them to equal or surpass the records made recently at Magdalena bay by the gunners of the armored cruisers of the Pacific fleet under command of Rear-Admirals Dayton and Seabers. These ships alternately have been at the practice grounds in the Mexican bay for the last two months, and six of them have completed their work. The Maryland outdistanced all her competitors among the armored cruisers of the station, with a percentage of 78.89 hits out of a possible 100 with all classes of guns.

The Illinois holds the battleship target trophy won at the spring practice last year, but in the fall work the gunners of the Maine and the Louisiana accomplished wonderful results. The latter ship, which is in the same class as the Connecticut and is armed with the most modern of the 12-inch rifles, won over \$2,000 prize money last fall and practically all of her gun pointers won high motions carrying from \$2 to \$5 increase in pay per month.

ACCUSED HIRED MAN.

Of Robbing His House of Valuables and Then Skipping.

Nashua, N. H., March 16.—Ira E. Allen, a farmer of Dunstable, Mass., reported to the Nashua police last evening that he believed a hired man had robbed his house of valuables and skipped.

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Mr. Allen started in pursuit of the missing hired man and tracked him as far as the outskirts of Nashua, where further trail of him was lost. The man gave the name of Leighton and he came to work for Mr. Allen three weeks ago, but the latter does not remember the man's first name. He said he came from Portland way.

He is described as 21 years of age, 5 ft. 11 in. tall, 150 pounds weight and of sandy complexion with a sandy beard of 10 days' growth. He wears when he left the farm house faded blue overalls, a black overcoat and black shirt, and carried a canvas telescope grip, one handle of which is broken.

BUYING WOOD FOR PULP.

D. M. Shepley of Missisquoi Company Gets Option on Large Farm.

Sheldon Springs, March 16.—It is understood on good authority that D. M. Shepley of the Missisquoi Pulp company, has secured an option on the large farm of Robert McDonald on the Missisquoi river and near the company's present mill property, and that he will also connect his mills with the Boston & Maine track. The pulp plant is now closed on account of the shortage of orders and because of a large surplus of ground wood. The pulp business throughout the country is said to be rather poor at present.

INJURIES FATAL TO ALBANY BOY

Waldo M. Shadd Died Yesterday Afternoon at Brightlook Hospital in St. Johnsbury.

St. Johnsbury, March 16.—Waldo M. Shadd, who was shot while hunting rabbits in the town of Albany last week and who was brought to Brightlook hospital for treatment, died yesterday afternoon. His brother, C. D. Shadd of Montpelier, came and took the young man's body to Albany for burial.

COUNTRY IS ALL RIGHT, DECLARED SPEAKER

But The System is Wrong, and His Would Substitute Socialism as The Remedy For The Ill.

George H. Goebel, a New York commercial traveler and a warm advocate of Socialism, gave an interesting talk on Socialism at Miles' hall Saturday evening before a large audience. Mr. Goebel took as a title for his lecture "Shall the trusts own the nation or the nation own the trusts?" and the manner in which he handled the subject showed a thorough knowledge of it and he expressed his thoughts in a tactful yet forcible manner.

While witty in the extreme, Mr. Goebel's address was free from bitterness and was warmly applauded. The speaker spoke of the founders of Socialism and its great growth in the world and in the United States in particular and his bearing on the economic questions of the day.

He stated that the time was rapidly approaching when the most important matter in the country was bound to be the battle between capital and labor and that Socialism was the remedy for the rapidly approaching conflict.

The speaker declared that the country is all right. God has certainly done his share and no country has been blessed with greater natural resources or greater opportunities. It is the system which is wrong. It has reached a point where the laboring man is allowed to just about break even. He can get just enough to support him but he can continue work. If the cost of living is high in one section of the country wages are high to correspond and the carpenter in San Francisco getting \$5 a day for exactly the same kind of work done in Pennsylvania for \$2.50 is getting ahead no faster. Concentration of wealth in the hands of a few leaves the working man just enough for existence.

WE'D ALL BE MILLIONAIRES—IF WE COULD.

"I'm not here to throw mud at the millionaires," said the speaker. "We'd be in their places if we could. When the system means skin or is skinned we're all made of mud and we all want the knife in our hands. If you're not willing to do what you can to stop this skinning system sit up straight and take your medicine. If I find a bed bug keeping steady company with me some night I'm not going to blame the bed but I find fault with it. He gets his living." He thought that when one man is allowed 200 million more than 32 million others have not together, there is something decidedly wrong with the system. He argued that high tariff, low tariff or tariff cut V-shape down the back has nothing to do with the system. It is not the gold standard or free silver. In fact, none of the causes that are given by the old political parties, but the fact that the producing class is allowed so small a share of the product.

Mr. Goebel declared that government ownership would be fruitless unless the working class is in control. He would vote for the abolition of the old parties had ever done anything worth while. They had been formed to meet a particular issue and had done their work wisely and well. Conditions have changed and new methods and new remedies are necessary and the old parties, formed for other purposes bound by traditions and policies cannot meet the new crisis. A new party has been formed to meet this as were the old one and this is Socialism.

READ NEW REGULATIONS.

Fr. McKenna Presented Engagement and Marriage Requirements.

Rev. P. M. McKenna, at the regular service at St. Monica's church yesterday morning, read the new engagement and marriage regulations which will take effect at the close of Lent.

Some of the regulations concerning engagements from recent papal reports are as follows:

"Only those are considered valid and produce canonical effects, which have been contracted in writing signed by both the parties and by either the parish priest or the Ordinary of the place, or at least two witnesses."

"In case one or both of the parties be unable to write, this fact is to be noted on the document, and another witness, to be added, who will sign the writing as above, with the parish priest or the Ordinary of the place or the two witnesses."

"Brevé and in the following article by parish priest is to be understood not only a priest legitimately presiding over a parish canonically erected, but in regions where parishes are not canonically erected the priest to whom the care of souls has been legitimately entrusted in any specified district and who is equivalent to a parish priest, and in missions where the territory has not yet been perfectly divided, every priest generally deputized by the superior of the mission for the care of souls in any station."

Concerning marriages, the documents say that only those marriages are valid which are contracted before the parish priest or the Ordinary of the place or a priest delegated by either of these, and at least two witnesses, saving the following exceptions.

The first exception is that when danger of death is imminent and when the parish priest or the Ordinary of the place or a priest delegated by either of these cannot be had, in order to provide for the relief of conscience (and should the case require it) for the legitimization of offspring, marriage may be contracted validly and licitly before any priest and two witnesses.

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EXCEEDED REQUIREMENTS.

Good Performances by the New Scout Cruiser Birmingham.

Boston, March 16.—The new scout cruiser Birmingham came into port yesterday, having completed her trial trips and exceeded all government requirements in her official tests.

The Birmingham left here on Thursday for her 24 hours, 24 knot test. Her record was 12.28 knots per hour, developing 1,600 horse power on a coal consumption of one ton for every 5.96 knots.

Saturday morning the cruiser started on her 24 hours, 24 knot test, and maintained a speed of 22.665 knots on an average coal consumption of one ton for every 3.473 knots.

In her four hours' endurance run, earlier in the week, the Birmingham developed an average speed of 24.32 knots.

VERMONT GIRL KILLED HERSELF.

Razel N. Caples, Aged 17 years, Took Laudanum in Athol, Mass.

Athol, Mass., March 16.—Dependent, it is said, on a love affair, Razel N. Caples, 17 years old, committed suicide here yesterday by taking laudanum. She was employed in a local shoe factory and came here two years ago from North Troy, Vt. Her body will be taken here today.

GIRL DENIED FORMER TALE

Which She Declares, She Was Told to Tell

BY GERRY SOCIETY AGAIN

Prosecution in Case of Raymond Hitchcock, the Actor, Got a Bad Jolt Today, When One of the Three Girls Implicated Testified.

New York, March 16.—The prosecution in the case of Raymond Hitchcock, the actor, received a hard jolt today, when Flora Whiston, one of the girls who is alleged to have accused the defendant of abusing them, flatly denied on the witness stand that she had ever gone to Hitchcock's house, where the prosecution charged the offense took place. She thereby directly contradicted her testimony before the grand jury. She created a sensation by saying that she had been told to tell the story she never over hears is said to have kept him from drinking for several months previous to his break off last week. When he left the local court, Bowers declared that he never could get a square deal in Barre.

BRADFORD PASTOR DIED IN HOSPITAL

Rev. Charles Evert Morse of the Congregational Church Was Doing Much Good in the Community.

Bradford, March 16.—Rev. Dr. Charles Evert Morse, pastor of the Congregational church here, died yesterday morning at the Mary Hitchcock hospital, Hanover, N. H., where he was taken recently for an operation for appendicitis. The patient was thought to be recovering when stricken with embolism of the heart. The funeral arrangements have not been made.

Dr. Morse came to the Bradford church on September 1, 1907, and was doing good work in the community. Since that time he had formed the Bradford Brotherhood, an organization for the betterment of the community, and in other ways was helping the town. He was 44 years of age and leaves a wife and four children.

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MOVED UP A PEG.

Will Stow and Ed. Tobin Finally Qualified for New Places in Fire Dept.

Contrary to expectations, Will Stow and E. M. Tobin on Saturday night qualified for the positions of first and second assistants in the Barre fire department, thus supplanting W. E. Beck, whose appointment for the place of first assistant was turned down by the aldermen for some reason, best known to themselves, but who would have "held over" in the office so long as no one qualified. The position of third assistant, which was made vacant by the promotion of Messrs. Stow and Tobin, is as yet unfilled.

Most of the other elective and appointive officers have qualified for their work, those that have failed including James F. Smith, elected second constable at the March meeting, Dr. O. G. Stickney, appointed inspector of food, and Gene Sullivan, appointed hayward. The overseer of the poor, O. D. Shortell, qualified a few days after his appointment.

CAUGHT THE ELDER.

Rev. F. W. Lewis Ran Into a Measles Quarantine at Williamstown.

The presiding elder, Rev. F. W. Lewis, of the St. Johnsbury district of the Methodist conference is temporarily held under quarantine at the home of the Rev. E. R. Currier at Williamstown. The presiding elder went to Williamstown Saturday and while there one of the Rev. Mr. Currier's children was taken down with the measles. The house was placed under quarantine and no one is allowed to leave the house. Mr. Currier was also detained yesterday and there was no service in the Methodist church in Williamstown yesterday. There is quite an epidemic of the measles there.

CLOSES LABORS APRIL 1.

Mrs. Mary L. Hadley to Leave Marchfield Next Month.

Marshfield, March 16.—Mrs. Mary L. Hadley of Boston, Mass., who has been the minister of the Congregational church in this place for more than a year leaves April first to labor elsewhere.

TWO CASES TAKEN TO COUNTY COURT

Those Against C. A. Clark and J. B. Sanguinetti, Charged With Illegal Sale of Liquor.

Charles A. Clark and J. B. Sanguinetti, the saloon-keepers who were arrested on warrants Saturday afternoon charging them with illegal sale of liquor to an habitual drunkard, waited examination in the city court this morning and were bound over to the county court under bail of \$500, which they furnished for each other. The case against John Marr, the third saloon-keeper arrested on the same charge, is on the docket for tomorrow morning.

Since these cases came up, it was found that the names of Charles Evans and Patrick Kane, the two men who made the disclosures on the saloon-keepers, were not on the posted lists in the saloons. It is claimed, however, by the prosecution, that the law in regard to habitual drunkards is as absolute as the law against selling to minors, and their names do not have to be posted at the saloons by the license commissioners.

"Heenan" Bowers of Montpelier was arrested Saturday afternoon at the Central Vermont station by Chief Paulkner on a warrant charging him with intoxication. Bowers was assigned in court Saturday afternoon and pleaded guilty to a subsequent offense. He went to the county jail for 60 days. Bowers was arrested Thursday in Montpelier for intoxication and was let go on probation by Judge Harvey, who then turned him over to the hypnotist, Labelle, whose power over Bowers is said to have kept him from drinking for several months previous to his break off last week.

When he left the local court, Bowers declared that he never could get a square deal in Barre.

Wilbur Wilson of Plainfield, arrested Saturday night by Officer Hamel, pleaded guilty in the city court this morning to a first offense of intoxication and was fined \$5, with costs of \$8.05. Dan McLaughlin of Barre Town also pleaded guilty to a first offense and was fined \$5 with costs of \$8.05, which he paid. He was arrested Saturday night by Officer Gamble.

BARGAINS, BUT NO RUSH.

Curious Assortment at Sheriff's Sale, from Grindstone to Non-alcoholic Drinks.

Sheriff Frank H. Tracy officiated as auctioneer at a rather unique sale at the Montpelier & Wells River freight house Saturday afternoon, when the accumulated unclaimed freight was sold to the highest bidder. Not a very large crowd was present and some of the goods brought ridiculously low prices.

Alfred Coe became the possessor of a parlor table for the nominal sum of a dollar, ten; R. G. Robinson took a writing desk for two dollars and several rolls of wall paper for a few cents.

A mysterious box was bought by Joe Connolly for \$1.20 and was found to contain some kind of a machine, probably designed for a gun, and not an explosive as was feared by some of the bystanders who backed up when he opened the box. Another box was placed on the block and opened and found to contain some more of Joe's machine and he was obliged to give up another half plank to possess the entire outfit.

Several cases of "Phenyl" labelled non-alcoholic, were somewhat of a rarity on the market, but were finally disposed of at a quarter of a dollar a case, and A. Johnson bought a full grown grindstone for 15 cents.

Catalogues and advertising matter of various kinds did not look good to the buyers and it was only after an effort that Sheriff Tracy was able to get anyone to agree to move them away gratis.

Frank Tracy bought a granite base for \$1.00 and resold it for \$1.10. Lee Hall bought a polished granite die for 55 cents and James F. Smith bought a monument nearly three feet cube for 75 cents. Mr. Smith was also the purchaser of a roll top office desk for ten dollars.

DELIGHTED THE AUDIENCE

At Saturday Afternoon Musicals at the Home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Smith opened their pleasant home on Perry street Saturday afternoon for another of the parlor musicals that Circle I of the Congregational church have been giving so successfully. A large audience filled the rooms almost to overflowing, and that each number of the program was enjoyed was shown by the enthusiastic applause it received.